

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4-16, 21 and 27-29 are canceled, hence, claims 3, 17-20, 22-26, 30-34 are all the claims pending in the application.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claims 3, and 31 would be allowed if rewritten in independent form. Applicant hereby rewrites claims 3 and 31 in independent form. Thus, Applicant respectfully submits that claims 3 and 31 are in condition for immediate allowance.

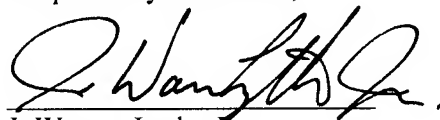
Applicant thanks the Examiner for indicating that claim 17-20, 21-26, 30, and 32-34 are allowed.

Conclusion

In view of the above, allowance of this application is now believed to be in order, and such action are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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